that the claimed invention is not taught, suggested, or implied by Miller or Official Notice, either singly or in combination.

As discussed in the Specification, the present invention relates to a Telephony over LAN (ToL) system having a graphical user interface (GUI) wherein an authorized or guest user may be *locked within a ToL window, having full access to the ToL features, but denied access to other parts of the computer system.* According to certain embodiments, the terminal user or subscriber may click on a "Guest" button on the ToL client GUI screen before leaving the computer. The ToL guest user may then execute the call normally. According to a first embodiment of the invention, the ToL client locks the user into the ToL client screen. Keystrokes and mouse cursor movements which would allow exiting the ToL client are prevented. According to a second embodiment, of the invention, the ToL client screen is "maximized" and the minimize or resize window functions are blocked. When the terminal subscriber returns, a password is entered to regain full access to the computer.

Thus, claim 1 recites "preventing an unauthorized user from accessing functions of said computer *external to said ToL client window* in said guest mode;" claim 6 recites "means for preventing an unauthorized user from accessing functions of said computer *external to said ToL client window;*" and claim 13 recites "wherein said microprocessor is programmed to monitor signals from said mouse controller and said keyboard controller and *not allow performance of other functions not related to ToL operations.*"

In contrast, Miller does not have anything to do with preventing access to functions outside the particular application that is currently open. Indeed, Miller does not even appear to recognize the desirability of preventing access to other applications outside a particular one. Instead, Miller relates merely to creating windows that have a region of obscuration within them. That is, Miller simply obscures portions of a window so that data cannot be read *within the window.* For example, in FIG. 4 of Miller, the Home Phone and Address entries in the window 40 are obscured (as compared to the

corresponding fields in FIG. 3). Thus, a user of Miller could access other functions of the computer outside the window 40. The present invention, however, would prevent a user from accessing functions outside the particular application in use, i.e., outside the window 40.

Official Notice is relied on merely for allegedly teaching use of a ToL window in a graphical user interface. Even assuming this is well known in the art, such items of Official Notice do not relate to the preventing access, as described generally above. As such, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection of the claims.

For all of the above reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance, which allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully requested,

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